

Sir- I am against the elimination of the Morse Exam for Amateur Radio Licensing. It is too soon to drop this requirement. The last WRC-03 made an error letting member nations choose if they wish retention for morse requirement. Morse is a valid mode that is used extensively around the world in Military and Commercial interests. The use and knowledge of morse is a mode that is used in emergencies for Amateur purposes. The dependance on packet and other high tech modes required a lot of additional equipment, e.g.- modem, computer, monitor, etc. All the mentioned devices are subject to a number of software/hardware problems. Morse is not effected by Windows XP glitches. For this simple reason the retention is paramount for safety and emergency radio traffic.

Thank you

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